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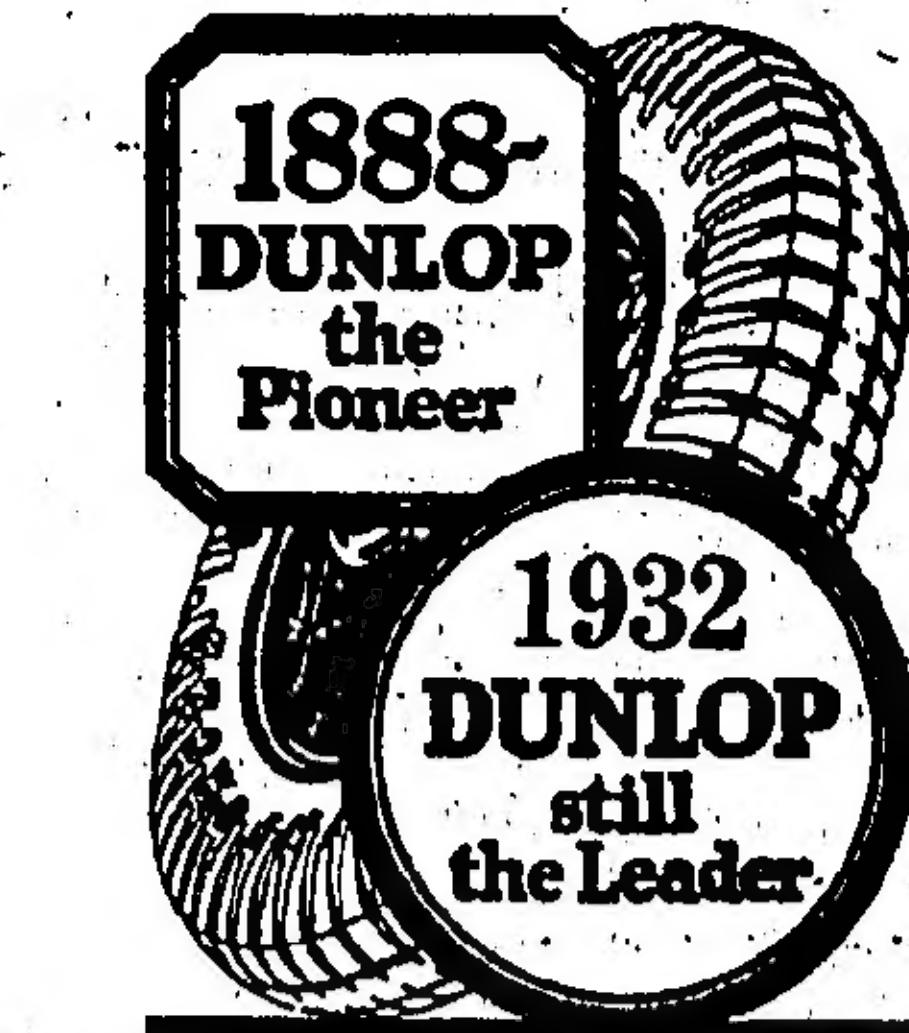
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TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.—The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/5 9/16.



SEVERE FIGHTING BEYOND KIANGWAN

JAPANESE CLAIM VILLAGE IN THEIR HANDS VIRTUALLY

TRIBUTE TO CHINESE SOLDIERS

THEY HAVE FOUGHT WITH COURAGE THAT IS UNPARALLELED.

All last night, the Chinese subjected the Japanese lines on the Chapei front to a terrific "strafe." It was thought, at one time, that the Chinese might make a night counter-attack, but this was not undertaken.

Chinese reports claim the recapture of Maohongchen, after severe fighting in which the Japanese suffered heavy losses. Japanese circles, however, deny such reports.

Severe fighting is in progress beyond Kiangwan, and the village is now said to be virtually in Japanese hands. The Chinese troops are fighting desperately and courageously, but no human beings can stand against the barrage of steel and high explosives which the Japanese are now bringing to bear upon them.

Again the Municipal authorities of Shanghai are becoming apprehensive of disorders in the Settlement as a result of the thousands of idle workers, and attempts are being made to accommodate them elsewhere, but the problem of feeding so many hungry mouths is a serious problem.

The Chinese air base at Hangchow is reported to have been bombed, this morning, by the Japanese. Much damage to planes and hangars is said to have been done.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai (11.46 a.m.), To-day.

The severest fighting, yet experienced, has occurred beyond Kiangwan, where the Japanese, in spite of the resolute opposition, pushed into new positions, after intensive artillery and air bombardment, and are holding whatever ground they have succeeded in capturing. Successive waves of counter-attacks have crumbled and been broken under withering musketry fire.

The Chinese seem to be shaken by the continued thunder of the barrage which has now shifted to the rear and by the pounding from high explosive shells from aircraft.

The Japanese broke through the elaborate Chinese defences after several days of careful preparation, finally clearing Kiangwan Village almost entirely of Chinese detachments and machine-gun nests.

Colonel Harada, Japanese Military Attaché, pays tribute to the Chinese soldiers who, he says, have exhibited unparalleled courage.

The Municipal authorities are apprehensive of grave disorders breaking out among the thousands of idle workers, and Chinese officials are transporting thousands to other parts. The feeding of so many hungry mouths is a serious problem.

Chinese Artillery "Strafe" Japanese Lines.

Shanghai (1.10 a.m.), To-day.

The thunder of artillery echoes and re-echoes throughout Shanghai as the Chinese batteries are subjecting the Japanese lines on the Chapei front to a terrific bombardment, which now, at 1.00 a.m., has been going on for the last hour. The shelling has caused yet another huge fire, which is rapidly extending.

There are indications that the Chinese may attempt a night-attack on the Chapei front, along which the Japanese defences have been considerably weakened, owing to the concentration of troops at Kiangwan.

Up to the present, the Japanese Consulate, or the Japanese Admiral's Flagship, which is ly-

ing alongside, the Consulate, have not been fired upon.

Miaohongchen Recaptured

by Chinese.

Shanghai (7.25 a.m.), To-day.

The Chinese bombardment of Chapei continued throughout the night, but no attempt was made to storm the Japanese lines there. With the approach of dawn, the intensity of the artillery fire subsided, but the rattle of machine-guns went on without cessation.

Chinese reports claim that, after the most severe fighting yet experienced beyond Kiangwan, in which it is stated that the Japanese suffered heavy casualties, Miaohongchen was captured early this morning by Chinese forces.

The Japanese, however, deny this report.

During the night, the Chinese

SHANGHAI REFUGEES FUND.

Special Performances at King's Theatre.

MARCH 2.

In aid of that deserving charity — The Shanghai Refugees Fund — the management of the King's Theatre, with that courtesy and sympathy for deserving causes commonly now associated with it, has decided to make over to the Fund the entire proceeds of the four showings at the theatre on Wednesday, March 2. The entire proceeds will be made over to the Tung Wah Hospital, which institution has undertaken to forward the money to the Committee managing the Fund in Shanghai.

Prices will be as usual, and as will be noticed from an advertisement appearing elsewhere in this Paper, different programme is to be presented at each of the four shows to be held that day — March 2.

At 2.30 o'clock the feature film will be "Seas Beneath" with George O'Brien in the title role.

At 5.10 p.m. "The Smiling Lieutenant," featuring that screen favourite, Maurice Chevalier, will be shown.

At 7.15 p.m. "Monkey Business" with the Marx brothers will provide entertainment.

And at 9.30 that outstandingly successful British film "Plunder" will be shown.

Hong Kong Chinese, especially, we feel sure, will see to it that each one of the showings is well patronised.

CHINESE AIR BASE AT HANGCHOW BOMBED.

Much Damage Done.

Shanghai (12.22 p.m.), To-day.

At eight o'clock this morning, a number of Japanese aeroplanes, bombers and fighters, flew over Hangchow and bombed the Chinese air base there, and claim to have destroyed five planes on the landing field and the hangars, and also to have crashed two Chinese planes that rose into the air to engage the attackers. As the Japanese bombers left, they report they saw parts of Hangchow city in flames. — Reuter's Pacific Service.

MANCHOWKUO.

New Name for Manchuria.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE IN MANCHURIA.

Mukden, Yesterday.

The Manchurian "Administrative Committee" has issued a statement to the effect that the name of the new Independent State will be Manchowkuo, with Changchun as the Capital.

The Ruler will be called Chin-cheng (meaning Dictator) and shall be provisionally installed as such until formally initiated by the People "According to a Constitution to be promulgated in the future."

The name of the new Era will be Ta-Tung (meaning the Great Union).

The new flag will be yellow, with red, blue, white and black bars in the upper corner. — Reuter's Pacific Service.

Whilst engaged working on the propeller of the C.P.S. liner Empress of Russia, at present lying in dry-dock at the Kowloon Docks, a young Chinese linter fell from the staging, fracturing his left leg. He was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital for treatment.

A DISARMAMENT FABLE.

By the "Spanish Aesop."

HUMOUR AND WIT AT THE CONFERENCE.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

Geneva, Yesterday.

The "Spanish Aesop"

delighted the Disarmament Conference to-day

with an up-to-date version of the fable. Senor

Madariaga explained

why Russia favoured

general disarmament,

and left the whole meet-

ing, including M. Lit-

vinoff, convulsed with

laughter by his reference

to the Russian bear. He

related that the lion, the

eagle, the tiger, the bull

and the bear met to dis-

cuss disarmament. The

lion, eyeing the eagle,

suggested abolition of

the wings of the eagle.

Looking towards the

bull, it favoured aboli-

tion of the horns of the

bull. Fearing the tiger,

it suggested abolition of

the claws. Then the bear

welcomed abolition of all

these weapons, so he

could embrace all the

others in his loving arms.

GENERALLY OVERCAST.

The Royal Observatory's report issued this morning states:

The anti-cyclone is central to the East of Sianfu, moving Eastward.

The depression has deepened and moved to the East of Tokyo.

Forecast: N.E. winds, fresh generally overcast.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day nil.

Total since January 1-194 inches against an average of 2.97 inches — deficit 1.03 inch.

Temperature.

Hong Kong 50

Macao 50

Pratas Island 61

Manila 74

Foochow 48

Amoy 47

Chefoo 25

Shanghai 29

RELIEVING NATIONAL DEBT.

Sir A. Chamberlain's Statement.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, stated in the House of Commons to-day that since August 23 Cash and Government Certificates to the value of over \$100,000 had been voluntarily given to relieve the National Debt.

In addition to this, many people had surrendered their claims to pensions or other sums due to them from public funds. — British Official Wireless Press.

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TRIUMPH FOR SIR JOHN SIMON.

Resolution Adopted by the Disarmament Conference.

SUB-COMMITTEES TO BE NOMINATED.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Disarmament Conference this afternoon unanimously adopted the resolution proposed by the British Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, as follows:

"That the General Commission resolves to carry on its discussions within the framework of the draft of the Disarmament Convention, full liberty being reserved to all delegations to develop their own proposals in subsequent debate and to move their amendments in the form of modifications, additions or omissions, at an appropriate point."

After three hours' discussion the Conference decided to nominate sub-committees to deal with land, sea and air armaments, war budgets and political questions.

Each sub-committee will be composed of one delegate from each country assisted by experts and secretaries. — British Official Wireless Press.

FUNERAL OF NOTED AUTHOR.

Edgar Wallace's Last Resting Place.

"RASS PRINCE'S" LEGEND.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

London, Yesterday.

The Press, the Stage and the Turf were represented at the funeral of Edgar Wallace at Little Marlow, Bucks, where the novelist had a country home. The mile long road from the house to the church was lined by people with wreaths, which included one from a popular tipster, "Rass Prince Honolulu," bearing the legend "all equal on the turf and under the turf."

MUNITIONS FOR JAPAN.

Small Exports from Britain.

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. W. Runciman announced that in December, 1931, Britain had exported munitions to the value of \$29,648, of which three-fifths represented automatic quickfiring guns. In January, 1932, munitions exported to Japan were valued at \$12,285 consisting almost wholly of quickfiring. — Reuter.

BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE AT PEKING.

Major Burkhardt Appointed.

London, Yesterday.

The War Office announces that Major V. R. Burkhardt, R.A., has been appointed Military Attaché at Peking. The appointment to be effective from June 28. — Reuter.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK.

Rediscount Rate Reduced.

New York, Yesterday.

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York has reduced its rediscount rate from three and a half to three per cent. — Reuters.

The object of the meeting is for the purpose of receiving a report of

MR. STIMSON'S LETTER TO SENATOR BORAH

LEVER TO INDUCE BRITISH CO-OPERATION

UNFORTUNATE THREAT

EMBARK AGAIN ON A NAVAL BUILDING RACE.

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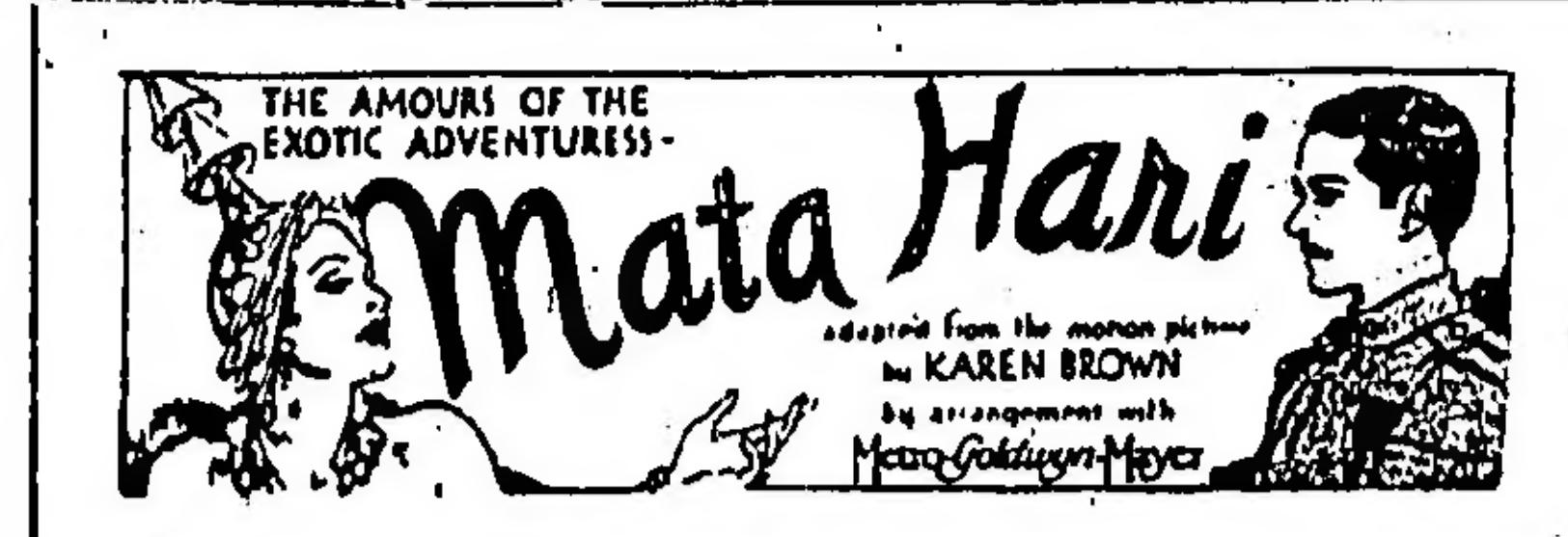
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CHAPTER V.

WHAT HAS HAPPENED SO FAR
Alexander Rosanoff, an aviator in the Russian secret service, delivers a packet of confidential papers to the Russian Embassy in Paris and persuades Colonel Shubin, ranking Attaché, to take him to see the famous Mata Hari perform an exotic dance. Later, he follows her to a gambling casino where she had gone to meet Adriana, owner of the resort and an exotic spy. Here she is told of the papers and promises to get them from Shubin. Yielding to whim, she permits Rosanoff to make love to her. But in the morning she is annoyed that she has shirked her task. She sends him away and sets out to get the papers. **NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY**

THE QUARREL WITH SHUBIN.

The dancer did not come to the point as soon as they were alone, however. Although she was sure of Shubin, still it was advisable to be tactful with him. He had given her much information. But often in the past she had been obliged to nurse him through periods of remorse when, in the depths of Russian melancholia, he had promised to become not only useless to her but dangerous.

Men were so queerly foolish, sentimental. A man had to cling to his pride and his honour even if he could do so only by lying to himself. A woman would dispense with pride and honour quite simply, without giving them a thought. If, by so doing, she thought she could get what she wanted.

So Mata Hari had made Shubin feel that to be a traitor really required much more dash and courage than to be loyal since it was so much more dangerous.

They talked like old friends. Noticing that he was reluctant to touch the vodka, she suggested a toast and took a sip or two herself. Ordinarily she disliked the fiery stuff.

"Dubois himself, no doubt?" "Yes," he said after a moment. In that case she anticipated that the matter would not be quite so simple as she had told Adriana. She thought quickly, rather exhilarated. It was much more fun to match wits and overcome obstacles.

"Yes," she replied in a tone of indifference. "I rather expected something was in the air." Dubois came to see me dance last night and I believe he had me followed to the Pavilion. As if I were not prepared for all that! Did he question you about me, my poor friend? Is that why you are so dejected?"

When she came over to him and patted his hand, Shubin gave a deep sigh and looked up at her, pleading as if he wished to be released from some torment.

"Mata! He is in earnest and that grim bulldog, once he has set his teeth, will never let go. I overheard him last night. He said, 'Some will dance and die!'"

"Oh... oh... what drama in a simple statement! Why, of course, I will dance and die. Don't we all die?"

But Shubin saw that she did not in the least believe this, any more than any healthy person believes in death.

"But you will die, Mata," he insisted, trying to impress her with the seriousness of her position.

"He knows a great deal about you. You are strongly suspected. He knows that on the day of the declaration of war you lunched with the Prefect of Police in Berlin and drove with him all afternoon through the crowds..."

"My dear friend! But I could explain that perfectly! The Prefect of Police supervised the theatres. There had been some complaint about my dance to Kali—there are prudes everywhere—and he came to see for himself. When a function so important to one, for he could have banned the performance, invites one to lunch and drives what's one to do?"

"But it's more than that! Dubois says that you are always in the company of soldiers, especially aviators. No sooner does one of these men come to see you on leave, than it is apparent that the enemy has received fresh information. How would you explain that?"

"I wouldn't attempt to explain that! There are no worthwhile men here who are not soldiers, and I find aviators most charming. I don't expect you to sympathise with this. You are so infernally jealous. But I am sure Monsieur Dubois would."

"It's a pity," she said lightly, "that I have had no opportunity to converse with Monsieur Dubois."

"You are likely to have that opportunity soon—and repeat it!"

"My dear Shubin!" Often she bluntly called men by their last names, man-fashion. "Are you threatening me?"

At this point the servant came in to make the fire. They fell into a silence, which was welcome to the dancer, at least, for it gave her time to reflect. A queer thought occurred to her. That Dubois suspected Shubin was, of course, obvious. But that would be an exceedingly grave matter. Shubin was not only very well-connected but not under French jurisdiction; his home, his office stood on diplomatic ground, Russian ground. Moreover, Dubois would realise that Shubin was just a tool. Could it be that the French Secret Service was striking at her through Shubin, that he had been approached in the hope that he would say or do something to betray her? He would never shield himself behind her skirts, she did him the justice to believe. But—but, he could be trapped.

"Shall I serve dinner now, sir?" "Oh, I must get warmed first!" protested the dancer. "My teeth are chattering—and so are Monsieur Shubin's."

Shubin took the hint and dismissed the man.

"What did you mean—my teeth are chattering?"

"I meant that you are a coward," she said briskly. "You have had a little chat with Dubois and you are in a great pothole about it."

"Mata! It's for you!" he exclaimed, wounded. "It's because I know what this will lead you to. To be shot as a spy, when one is so young and so beautiful! It's not good to think of. Trust me, Mata—take some advice from me—I am much older than you, and besides I adore you—give up these activities which, in the end, will finish you. After all, Germany is not your country. If you must have excitement, why not work for us—for the Allies?"

Was this another suggestion from Dubois?

"Do you know what the English said when they had my effects for her insolence and for the family."

searched in London?" she demanded. "They were surprised to find me so dignified! I used no gestures! I made no attempt to seduce them! They were amazed that I was not a giggling, little coquette, without brains, without breeding, I was come of a lineage that lived in palaces when the English were grubbing in caves! And I am to work for such people indeed!"

"They are never tactful, those English," murmured Shubin, who understood how her vanity had been hurt. "But the French—"

"Oh, the French! In France, they look upon me as a woman, a beautiful woman, an accomplished dancer, no doubt. But in Germany, when I dance, they worship me as a goddess!"

She rose and warmed her hands at the fire, breathing quickly with the vehemence which she was prepared to display.

"Even you, Shubin, who know me and in whom I have had great faith, even you think nothing of playing me false because—what does it matter? I am only a woman. Very well, I shall know how to defend myself against you in future."

This threat that he would lose her, which had never failed to agonise him, now made him cry out: "But what is it I've done to you, Mata? I am repeating what Dubois told me, I am..."

"I know what you are doing! You are attempting to pull the wool over my eyes, for you know very well that I am aware that you have had fresh dispatches from Russia."

"No—no—I—"

After a long pause, Shubin said heavily, "I can't. No, I can't discuss those with you, Mata."

"I have already told you so much. I have already dishonoured myself for your sake. Don't—don't," he begged, "ask it—no—"

As if he could touch her! She was adamant.

"Honour! Honour! To refuse a favour to a friend who has trusted to your friendship! That's honour, isn't it? To refuse aid to one whom you profess to love? That's love, isn't it?" she flung out at him so passionately that he was too confused to protest against the speciousness of her accusations.

Seeing him so humbled, she gave a final twist of the knife.

"You are a coward. You're afraid for your skin, my friend, that's all there is to it."

"I am not thinking of myself," said Shubin gloomily. "I am a lost man—traitor. I shall shoot myself one day and my country will be well rid of me."

This was familiar ground, and, with finesse, she felt that she would still win.

"Oh, well," she said at length, as if the whole business had grown too distasteful to pursue any further, "we may as well have our dinner, then."

By the time they had reached the dessert course, she had, by means of a little flattery, a little wine, a skilful indifference, brought him almost to his customary state of submersion. Now it only remained to make him understand that the price of her favours was no light one and she was in the midst of some cool maneuvering to that end, when the servant, to her surprise and amusement, announced Rosanoff.

"Ah, yes, there's a young man who would not leave Paris without seeing you dance," remarked Shubin.

She thereupon laughingly insisted that of course the young man must be introduced and Shubin humoured her.

Thus it happened that Rosanoff made another formal bow to the dancer. He was silent while Mata Hari, in a spirit of mischief, could not refrain from murmuring, "But the young man's face looks so familiar!"

"In that case," said Mata Hari, "I can go."

TO-MORROW—The Dangerous Game.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.S.)—

5.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7.10.30 p.m.—European Programme.

7.05-7.30 p.m.—Band Selections.

Nails (Dellies),

Band of the Royal Air Force (5106).

Repulse Band (Sweeley),

Band of the Royal Air Force (5138).

Bond of Friendship (Rogan),

Strauss March (Mezzacop),

Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards (4359).

La Nuova Giovent (Rossi),

Silenzio Militare (Silvestri),

Banda Italiana Columbia (14026-R),

7.30-8 p.m.—From the Studio—

A Talk on "A History of Horticulture in Hong Kong" by Professor G. A. C. Herklots, D.Ph., B.Sc.

8 p.m.—Local Time.

8.03-8.20 p.m.—

Brig Fair—An English Rhapsody (Frederick Delius),

Sir Thomas Beecham & His Symphony Orchestra (L2294-5).

8.20-8.40 p.m.—Variety.

Song—Vesper Bell,

Cries of Old London,

Emmie Joyce (Soprano) (DB400).

Hawaiian Music—

An Old Italian Love Song,

In the Moonlight,

Linn Milford & His Hawaiian Singers (MR228).

Vocal Duet—

You'll be Mine in Apple Blossom Time,

Laughing at the Rain,

Lynton & Johnstone (DB514).

Organ Solo—

Sleepy Head,

Really Mine,

Terance Casey (DB515).

Song—

Moonlight Saving Time,

Faithfully Yours,

Ruth Etting (Comedienne) (DB571).

Piano Solo—

larity of her tête-à-tête with Shubin.

"You asked me to report here, sir," he reminded the latter, standing at attention.

"Yes. You are to keep to your rooms, and there will be instructions communicated to you in the morning as to the hour of your departure."

He added a few words in Russian. As soon as Rosanoff had gone, however, Mata Hari reproached the attaché.

"Really, Shubin, you are too tiresome! To dismiss so abruptly such a charming young man! One of your new secretaries—isn't he?"

"No, no, Mata. That doesn't show your usual skill, my dear. That's quite too obvious a question. Though as an aviator, the young man would no doubt interest you."

Aviator! Aviator! He would be flying somewhere to-morrow then.

"He does interest me."

"I am ready to believe it," he said, suddenly harsh, "though you are so pat with assurances of your faithfulness. But the young man will be unavailable for the present, I am afraid. He is going back to Russia to-morrow."

Flying to Russia to-morrow. And with information, of course. Shubin with his patent secrecy—his orders in Russian!

"A pity!" she murmured. "I am so tired of old men."

Stung to the quick, Shubin rejoined, "I know that you have no further feeling for me since I will no longer supply you with what you demand. And supply you I will not.

I have sent the papers out of my rooms. They are safe from you.

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"In that case," said Mata Hari, "I can go."

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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

LADIES' RECREATION CLUB WIN.

Inter-Club Challenge Shield.

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The annual triangular contest for Ladies' Inter-Club Challenge Shield took place on February 25 on the courts of the U.S.R.C. and the Ladies' Recreation Club (the holders) proved their right to retain the Shield for another year. Each Club was represented by two couples who each played sets of eleven games with both pairs of the other Clubs, making the total possible score for a Club eighty-eight games. The results were as follows:

Ladies' Recreation Club.
Mrs. Tottenham & Mrs. Stafford-Smith 30
Mrs. Mackie & Mrs. C. C. Star 21

United Services Recreation Club.
Mrs. Lochner & Mrs. Marriott 22
Mrs. Majendie & Miss Pullum 23

Peak Club.
Mrs. Davenport-Browne & Miss R. Hancock 21
Mrs. Martell-Hall & Mrs. Sayer 18

This Shield has now been contested for sixteen occasions and has been won by the U.S.R.C. eleven times, the U.S.R.C. three times and the Peak Club twice.

Our Sports Diary.

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TODAY.
LAWN TENNIS—Open Singles—A. H. Harkins v. Yew Man-kit; Iu Tak-ekuk v. J. A. Casumbay; E. C. Fincher v. J. Barrow; S. A. Rumjat v. Tsui Yau-pui; Open Doubles—G. W. Sewell and L. Wright v. Wong Fuk-nam and H. H. Ho; G. A. Noronha and L. A. da Rocha v. T. L. Lu and C. C. Luk; A. R. Minu and A. H. Madar v. W. T. Lee and D. C. Luk; C. F. Hyde and M. W. Turner v. A. V. Ramedos and L. A. Ribeiro.

To-morrow.
CRICKET—First Division—Indian R.C. v. Kowloon C.C. (L.); University v. Navy (L.); Craigengower C.C. v. Civil Service C.C. (F.); Second Division—Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C. (L.); Civil Service C.C. v. Craigengower C.C. (F.); Royal Engineers & Signals v. University (F.).

FOOTBALL—First Division—Kowloon v. Borderers; Navy v. St. Joseph's; Third Division—Royal Engineers v. Royal Air Force; Borderers v. Recruit.

RACING—Annual Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

SUNDAY.
FOOTBALL—Charity Match—Army v. Chinese at Caroline Hill at 4.30 p.m.

GOLF—Final of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Captain's Cup.

HUNTING—Fanling Hunt

Hounds Meet at Lokmochau at 3.15 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S LADIES BEAT H.K. RIVALS.

Odd Goal in Three at King's Park.

In a fast hockey encounter on the Diocesan Girls' School ground yesterday afternoon the St. Andrew's Club Ladies defeated the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club by the odd goal in five. M. Woolley and P. Gittins netted for the Saints, but Hong Kong decreased the deficit through P. M. Harrop before the interval. In the second half Hong Kong again scored through P. M. Harrop, after which the exchanges provided much excitement. P. Gittins scored the Saints' third and winning goal.

PRESTON DEFEAT STOKE CITY.

Home Football.

London, Yesterday.
In the Second Division of the English League Preston North End at home defeated Stoke City by two goals to nil.—Reuters.

THE MACAO RACES.

**ENTRIES FOR SPRING MEETING
ON MARCH 13**

The entries for the Spring Race Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, to be held on March 13, are given below:

Bedale Handicap: Once Round—For Winners and Placed Macao Subscription Ponies and ponies that were classified by The Hong Kong Jockey Club as D2 Class Fee, \$5. 1st Prize, \$300. 2nd Prize, \$125. 3rd Prize, \$75.

Bright Eyes; Celerity; Choctow II; Golden Glory; Gold Standard; Indian Plain II; Lonesome Life; Pasha; Shawnee; Sterling Castle

Sunny Day.

The Eve Cup: One And A Quarter Miles.—For non-winning Australian Sub-Griffins of The Hong Kong Jockey Club of 1932. Weight for inches as per Scale (Jockey

Allowance). Entrance Fee, \$10. Eyes; Country Club; Florinott; Genghis-Khan; Hellotrope \$400 added by the Club. 2nd Prize, Leaf; Hsui Sui Woo; Jingo; Light-\$200. 3rd Prize, \$100.

Matsushima; New King; Adonis: Anniversary Eve; Pure Music; Silver Key; Tai Ping Aurora; Ben Hur; But After That; Yang; The Slow Bird; Twilight; Calamity Jane; Friar Tuck; Gold Beaufort Plates: One Mile.—For Digger; Gold Rush; Koh-I-Noor; non-winning Subscription Griffins Manna; Patricia Hall; Reha; of The Hong Kong Jockey Club of Season Ticket; Senorita; Sunlight; 1932. Weight for inches as per The Rainbow; The Wiggon; Scale (Jockey Allowance). Entr. Yaraman.

The Macao Jockey Cup: Once Round.—For Sub-Griffins of The Hong Kong Jockey Club of any make the field unwieldy, the entries Season. Weight for inches as per Scale. For Jockeys who have not

won more than 10 Races. Jockeys Diplodocus; Fighting Blood; Firefly; Friar John; Gallant Fox; Gamber; Gay Fox; Golden Arrow; Gold Bar; Gold Cup; Ghost Train; Highjinx; Hosordy; Hugo; Jimmy; Jupiter; Malakit; Mause; Mistletoe; Pathfinder; Public

Train; Golden Arrow; Good Day; Money; Silvery Eve; Speedy; Sunbeau; The Curlew; The Rainstorm; The Wanderer; Trigo; Tulla; Valera; Valley Hall; Warsaw Stag.

The Macao Derby: One And A Half Miles.—For non-winning Griffins of The Hong Kong Jockey Club of this Season. Weight for inches as per Scale. (Jockey Allowance). Entr. Fee, \$20. 1st Prize, \$1,000. 2nd Prize, \$300. 3rd Prize, \$250.

Ajax; Amos; Army Hall; Blue-love; California; Cebu; Chateau Bay; Christmas Joy; Cupid; Darkest Eve; Devon; Escudado; Festival Eve; Golden Star; Gold Mine; Illoilo; Jack; Just Imagine; Kate; Meridian Star; Merry Thought; Michael Guy; Mon Taliisman; Mystic Leaf; Navy Hall; Powhatan; Powerful King; Punch; Saturn; Snappy Eve; The Gadwall; The Shoveller; Toby; Tommy Boy; White Jade Stag; Winkie; Workable Stag.

Belvoir Stakes: Once Round—For non-placed Macao Subscription

The Chairman's Cup: One Mile.—For non-winning Griffins of The Hong Kong Jockey Club of this Season. Weight for inches as per Scale. (Jockey Allowance). Entr. Fee, \$10. 1st Prize: A Cup with \$400 added. 2nd Prize, \$200. 3rd Prize, \$100.

Ajax; Alexandra Hall; Amos; Blue-love; Bowery Bay; Cebu; Festival Eve; Golden Star; Gold Mine; Illoilo; Jack; Just Imagine; Kate; Meridian Star; Merry Thought; Michael Guy; Mon Taliisman; Mystic Leaf; Merry

Thought; Michael Guy; Mon Taliisman; Powerful King; Powhatan; Punch; Saturn; Snappy Eve; The Gadwall; The Shoveller; Toby; Tommy Boy; Venus; Winkie; Why Worry; Workable Stag.

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CIVIL SERVICE JUNIORS.

QUEENSLAND WIN BY 139 RUNS.

Victoria's Defeat in Sheffield Shield.

London, February 1.
In the Sheffield match at Brisbane, Queensland beat Victoria by 139 runs.

The following will represent the Civil Service C.C. second eleven against the Craigengower C.C. on the C.S.C.C. ground to-morrow:—

H. E. Strange (Captain), A. E. Wood, C. H. G. Bradley, S. Randle, A. W. Grimmett, W. H. Edmonds, N. Bebbington, J. F. McGowan, R. H. Woodman, T. Armstrong, and C. Strange.

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CARNERA BEATS GERMAN.

Opponent Forced to Retire.

Berlin, February 5.
Carnera soundly thrashed the German, Ernst Guhring, in a ten-round contest to-day.

A great golfer has been lost to England by the decision of Phil Ford, the former British light in the 14th round owing to Amster Champion, to become an injured foot. Guhring would be available for the British Walker ed out had the fight continued—(Reuters).

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New York, February 5.

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In Admiralty Jurisdiction on February 19, the Chief Justice gave judgment against the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, on claim and counter-claim, involving over \$80,000, arising out of a collision in Hong Kong harbour in March, 1931, between the Japanese s.s. Toyooka Maru and the China Navigation Company's steamer Kiangsu. His Lordship said he had no hesitation in saying that the main cause, at least, of the collision was the action of the Toyooka Maru in going across the fairway into fog. He had also come to the conclusion that the Japanese ship could have avoided a collision by dropping her anchor. A full text of the finding is published in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The Annual Race Meeting opened at Happy Valley on February 20, in brilliant weather. Times were fast and the turf was in perfect condition. However, it rained on the fourth day, but that did not in any way dampen the enthusiasm of racegoers. The Ladies' Purse was won by Mr. Y. S. Chang, his mount being King's Bounty, the favourite for the event. Several record times were broken, Doctor's Mandate doing exceptionally well in that line, lowering a record on the second day, and then beating his own record the following day. Dividends were fairly high, the biggest being \$551, for second place, and \$434 for third place. Liberty Bay (Mr. Hill up) won the Derby in a common canter. The lucky winner of the Derby first prize, \$12,000 odd, was a Chinese man. A full report of the meeting is chronicled in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The China-Japan war is still raging, in spite of what the Powers are endeavouring to do to restore peace. Reports of a big Chinese victory over the Japanese was current in Hong Kong on February 23, and soon every Chinese citizen was celebrating the good news. Crackers were fired all over the place, and the streets were littered with red paper. Latest movements of troops in the war zone, and the grave situation in Shanghai are dealt with fully in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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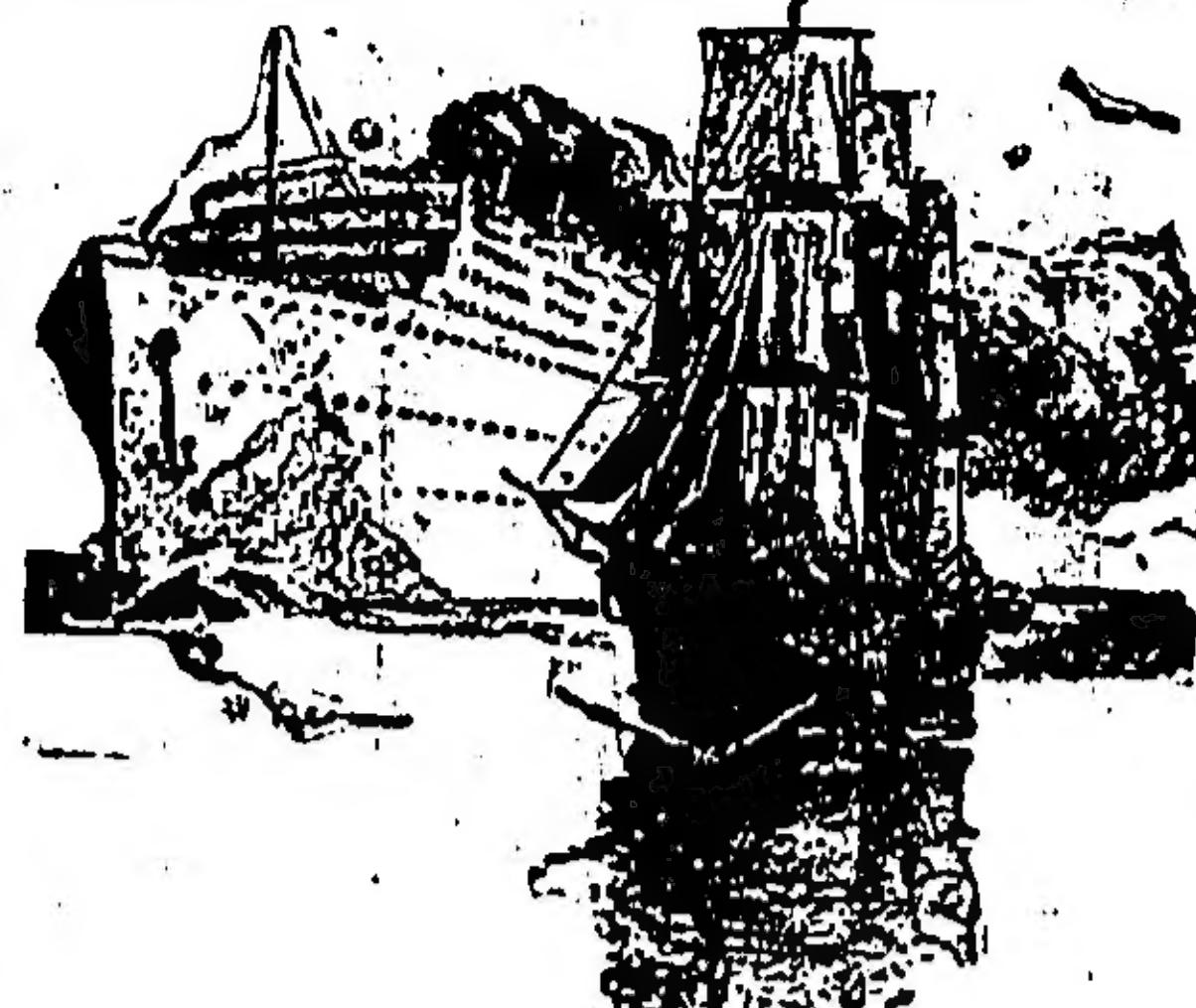
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P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.										
Everton	14 12 2 0 63 22 24	15 6 8 1 27 31 13	37		Portsmouth	15 6 8 1 27 31 13	37			
Sheffield U.	16 12 3 1 40 21 25	14 5 8 1 25 29 11	36		Arsenal	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Arsenal	14 8 2 4 34 11 20	14 7 5 2 32 23 16	36		Sunderland	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
West Bromwich	14 9 2 3 31 9 21	16 8 2 29 24 14	35		Birmingham	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Huddersfield T.	15 8 1 6 37 13 22	14 5 7 2 21 27 12	34		Sheffield U.	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Newcastle U.	14 11 1 2 38 16 24	14 4 9 1 20 34 9	33		Derby C.	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Wednesday	15 10 1 4 25 15 24	14 3 9 1 26 44 9	33		West Brom.	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Anton Villa	14 11 1 2 30 22 22	14 3 7 4 30 29 10	32		Blackpool	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Birmingham	15 10 1 4 35 13 24	14 3 10 1 18 31 7	30		Blackburn R.	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Liverpool	14 9 1 4 44 26 22	11 3 10 1 13 37 7	29		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Manchester C.	15 8 3 2 39 22 20	14 2 8 5 25 35 9	29		Wolves	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Middlesbrough	14 9 3 2 32 20 20	15 2 8 5 25 35 9	29		Leeds U.	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Blackburn R.	15 9 4 2 45 38 20	14 2 10 3 21 39 7	27		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Bolton W.	15 11 4 0 32 19 22	14 1 10 3 15 39 5	27		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Chelsea	15 9 4 0 30 19 18	14 1 10 1 18 31 7	30		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
West Ham U.	15 8 4 3 27 23 19	14 3 9 2 20 40 8	27		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Fulham	14 9 4 1 19 16 19	14 2 9 3 18 35 7	26		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Derby C.	15 10 2 3 41 18 23	15 0 12 3 11 39 3	26		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Leicester City	15 8 6 1 35 32 17	14 2 10 2 18 33 6	23		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Sunderland	14 6 5 3 27 24 15	14 1 9 5 16 35 7	22		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Blackpool	15 7 6 2 29 29 16	14 1 12 1 11 32 3	18		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			
Grimsby T.	13 6 1 23 19 13	13 2 12 1 19 30 5	18		Wednesday	15 6 8 1 25 29 11	36			

Second Division.

	HOME	AWAY	Goals	Pts.	HOME	AWAY	Goals	Pts.	Total	
P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.										
Leeds United	14 9 2 3 27 13 21	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41		Chester	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Wolverhampton	15 12 1 2 21 51 26	14 5 5 4 33 27 14	40		Darlington	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Stoke City	14 11 0 3 35 10 25	14 4 7 4 24 21 12	37		Walsall	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Bury	15 10 3 2 38 17 22	14 6 6 2 15 26 14	36		Hull F.	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Plymouth A.	14 9 2 3 46 34 21	14 5 5 5 21 31 15	36		Gateshead	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Bradford	15 13 2 1 34 21 27	14 3 8 3 21 29 9	36		Lincoln C.	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Millwall	15 10 3 2 35 16 22	14 3 7 4 21 30 10	32		Barrow	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Bradford C.	13 7 2 4 42 21 18	15 5 6 4 23 29 14	32		Hartlepools U.	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Swansea T.	14 10 0 3 35 15 20	15 4 9 2 21 32 10	30		New Brighton	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Notts County	14 7 4 3 32 20 17	15 3 6 6 27 33 12	29							
Notts Forest	15 7 4 4 32 22 18	14 3 8 3 28 32 9	27							
Tottenham H.	15 7 4 4 47 32 18	14 3 8 3 20 27 9	27							
Southampton	14 6 5 3 22 15 25	15 2 11 2 21 38 11	26							
Port Vale	15 6 5 4 23 16 24	14 4 8 2 23 40 10	28							
Manchester U.	15 6 5 4 31 27 17	14 3 9 2 18 34 8	25							
Oldham A.	14 6 5 3 26 15 15	15 2 8 5 14 29 9	24							
Chesterfield	15 7 2 1 29 27 15	14 2 7 5 15 34 9	24							
Burnley	14 5 4 5 25 25 15	14 10 1 15 40 9	24							
Preston N.E.	14 8 2 4 25 17 20	15 1 10 4 26 44 6	26							
Barnsley	15 6 4 5 23 19 17	13 3 9 1 13 43 6	23							
Charlton A.	14 4 3 4 19 21 12	15 3 9 3 15 33 9	21							
Bristol C.	15 2 8 5 14 23 9	14 1 10 3 12 18 5	14							

Third Division (South).

	HOME	AWAY	Goals	Pts.	HOME	AWAY	Goals	Pts.	Total	
P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.										
Fulham	14 9 3 2 45 22 20	15 7 4 4 33 27 18	38		Accrington S.	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Brentford	13 7 2 4 24 12 18	15 8 4 3 26 21 19	37		Chester	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Exeter C.	15 11 1 3 38 12 25	14 5 7 2 21 34 12	37		Darlington	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Reading	14 12 1 1 45 25 15	15 2 7 6 20 23 10	35		Walsall	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Norwich C.	15 9 2 4 36 18 22	13 4 5 4 15 20 12	34		Hull F.	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Crystal Palace	14 9 0 5 35 10 23	14 3 7 3 19 37 11	34		Gateshead	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Brighton	14 9 4 1 27 16 19	14 3 4 5 21 20 15	34		Lincoln C.	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Watford	14 10 2 3 34 18 22	15 4 8 3 26 35 11	33		Barrow	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41			
Southend U.	14 5 4 4 24 17 20	15 6 6 3 28 30 15	31		Hartlepools U.	13 3 4 2 34 20 20	41</td			



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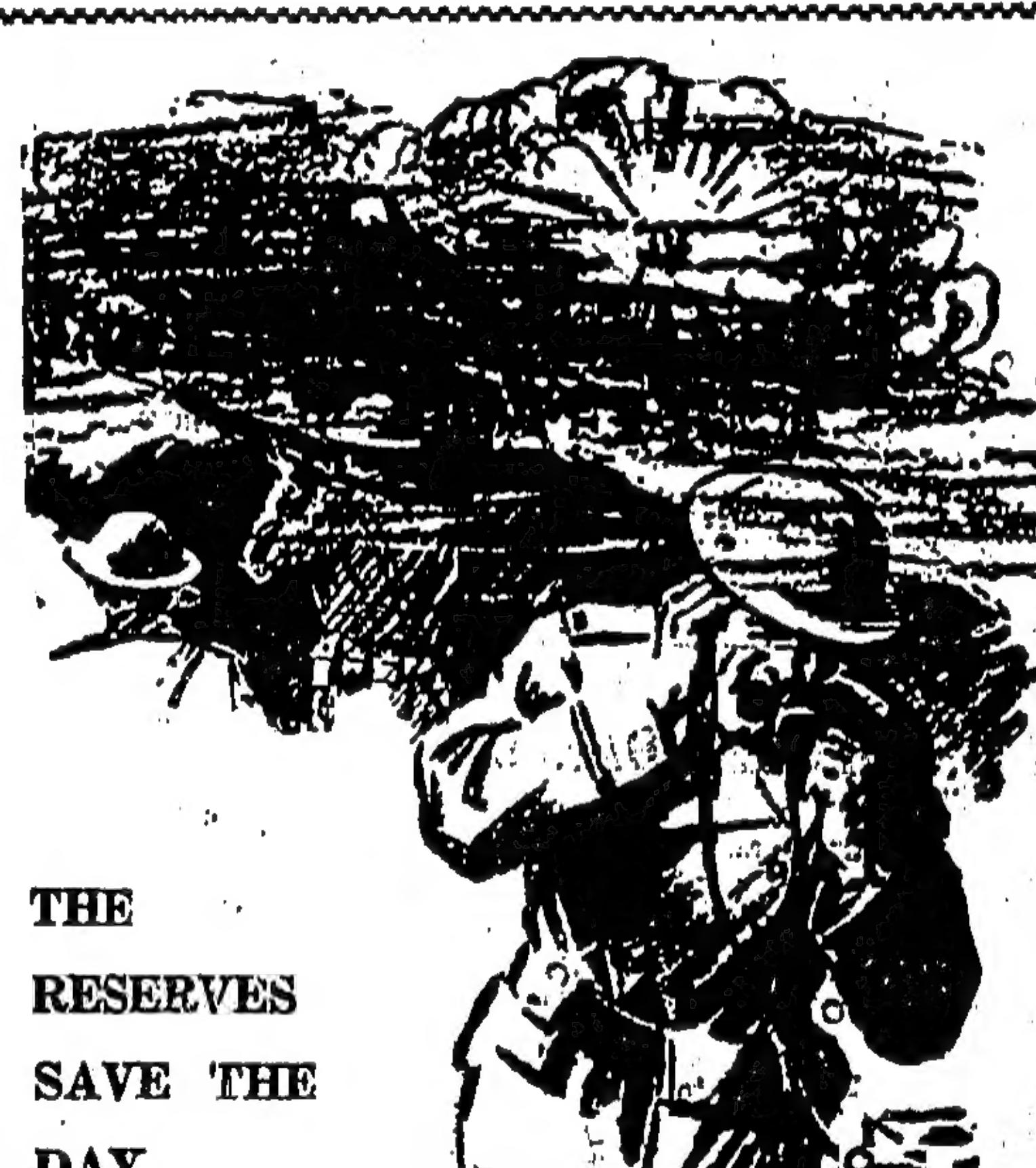
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The Rev. Mother Superior and her staff desire to thank the Rev. Fathers and Sisters and friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy in their recent bereavement also for the floral tributes and attendance at the Funeral of Rev. Sr. Enrica Adamoli (Canossian Institute).

The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Friday, Feb. 26, 1932.

Mr. Stimson's Letter.

So many notes and so many pronouncements have been made in regard to this, that and another Power's attitude to the greatly to be deplored events in the Far East, that it will not surprise us, if, after the ripples, caused by the latest stone (in Japan it may be referred to as a "brick") cast by the hand of Mr. Stimson, have rippled to the shore and there spent themselves, the declaration and its implications, will be forgotten and things go on, not just as they were before but from bad to worse.

What is wanted to-day, and not at some indefinite date in a vague future, is concerted action by the Powers of the world, be they signatories to this pact, treaty, covenant or what else, to substitute for a war of aggression, which has in it a potential threat to civilisation, a peace, a cessation of hostilities, a conference at which Right shall prevail over Might.

Mr. Stimson's letter to Senator Borah has been described as "one of the most important pronouncements of United States policy in the past ten years," also as "masterly," "a slashing rebuttal of Mr. Yoshizawa's feeble contention," and even as a "challenge to the Powers." It may be all these and more. It may also be, as is hinted in a cable published this morning, a "lever to induce closer co-operation with the United States in the Far East" by holding out threats of a naval-building programme of dimensions ruinous in its ultimate effect on the people of the world as a whole.

But, for all it may be, if it is not quickened with action, of the character already indicated,

and weighted with sincerity of purpose, it can only finally be regarded as one of those many gestures which, by their familiarity to-day, are coming to be regarded as contemptible.

It is only to be expected that in Japanese circles the letter should be described as a "grave mistake" and "calculated to do more harm than good." Indeed, we expect descriptions, generally speaking, of a less positive nature in the Japanese press as a whole. What reception the European press gives the letter will be disclosed shortly. But it will surprise us if the reception is as remarkable as it has been in the United States.

It is said to be an "open secret" that Mr. Stimson is disappointed at the failure of the Powers—Britain and France are especially indicted—to support vigorously his defence of the Nine Power Treaty. That is all very well from Mr. Stimson's point of view, but the Nine Power Treaty, in and with which Mr. Stimson is so deeply interested and concerned, is not, in our opinion, so important a factor as the League Council and the authority of the League, which Britain has pledged herself to support. There seems to be more at stake, in so far as the League is concerned, than any ancillary treaty, however important such a treaty may be to any one individual Power. If the United States supported the League, as vigorously as Mr. Stimson would have liked, and wants Britain and France to support his defence of the Nine Power Treaty, the greater would he, and would have been, the results of League action. By keeping aloof from this body, which owes so much of its existence to an United States President and United States opinion of that day, the Government, on behalf of which Mr. Stimson has made an "important pronouncement" of policy, is making less effective League authority and embarrassing its work for civilisation as a whole.

As to the threat of a restart of a naval-building programme—armaments war—at which price closer co-operation is to be purchased by the United States, it is not difficult to see that such a programme, if it were to be carried out, would be disastrous, but not fortunate, in connection with its

threat to the League's programme of disarmament.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS.

Bank Shroff On Trial—Robbery
And Theft.

Chan Cheung-nam, a shroff of the Mercantile Bank, appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones yesterday afternoon on charges of conspiracy to rob \$6,828.85 and of theft from the person of the complainant, a retired Chinese merchant from America, of \$6,825. Detective-Sergeant D. C. W. Fitches prosecuted, whilst Mr. A. E. Hall was for the defendant. After hearing evidence his Worship adjourned the case.

Cook Comended.

Appearing before Mr. Schofield on a charge of the theft of two hair ornaments, valued at \$50, from a Chinese woman in Queen's Road West, an unemployed seaman was sentenced to six months' hard labour with 20 strokes of the birch. A Chinese, employed as a cook aboard the s.s. Paul Beau was commended by the Magistrate for his action in having brought a criminal to justice and protecting a woman.

Russian Pilgrim.

Stephen Rovensky, a young Russian, who previously came to Hong Kong on a pilgrimage then to Palestine, was brought before Mr. Wynne-Jones charged with entering the Colony without a valid passport.

Watchman's Lapse.

Mr. Wynne-Jones imposed a fine of \$25 or three weeks' jail on Gulam Mohamed, a watchman, who, pleaded guilty to the possession of a quantity of tobacco on which duty had not been paid.

LAID TO REST.

Rev. Sr. Enrica
Adamoli.

We regret to learn of the death from heart failure, of the Rev. Sr. Enrica Adamoli (Canossian Institute), which occurred at the Canossia Hospital on Wednesday night.

The funeral took place yesterday at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, and was attended by a large number of friends and the staff from all the different institution.

The Very Rev. Father Spada M.A., in the absence of Bishop H. Valitora, officiated at the graveside, assisted by the Rev. Fathers of the Roman Catholic Cathedral.

Among those present to pay their respects to the deceased were noticed: the Salesian Fathers, Fathers of the French Procuracy, Spanish Fathers, Jesuit Fathers, Maryknoll Fathers, the Christian Brothers, the Sisters of St. Paul's Institution, Sisters of the Precious Blood, Maryknoll Sisters, Sisters of the Immaculate Conception, the pupils of the Convent, the Italian Consul, Dr. Pfister, Hon. Braga, Mr. F. X. D'Alma, Castro, Mr. Gonella, Mr. Vannini, Mr. Mose.

Wreaths were sent by Dr. Pfister, Mr. and Mrs. Vannini, Mr. and Mrs. De Diengi, Drs. Ma Luk, Wong, Ma and Koh, Mr. U. Gonella, Mr. and Mrs. Mose, Miss Murray, and the staff of the Canossia Hospital.

News in Brief.

Lowest open air temperature yesterday was 46. Humidity at 10 a.m. was 54, and at 4 p.m. 51.

H.M.S. Berwick arrived from Shanghai at 6.45 this morning and is now lying at the No. 6 buoy in the Naval anchorage.

A highly successful fancy dress carnival dance was held in the new West Wing lounge of the Y.M.C.A. building last night. Dance music was provided by Mr. G. W. E. True's "Cheery" orchestra. Mr. J. C. M. Graham, Secretary of the Social Committee, fulfilled the duties of Master of Ceremonies.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be held in the Helena May Institute on Monday, March 7 at 5.30 p.m. Tea will be served at 4.45 p.m.

The Bishop of Victoria will be the Chairman and speakers will be Dr. W. P. Macmillan, Minister of the British Presbyterian Church, Mr. K. C. and Dr. Anna M. Jones, President and Vice-President of Philosophy at Harvard College.

A HARD WOMAN HER SOLDIERLY LYING IN STATE.

"She Wor Towf."

By T. Thompson.

Mrs. Greenhalgh wiped her Ah said "Thank yo' hoo said 'Stop thi mouth or Ah'll stop it for thee,' an' hoo'd goo whoam in a reet trap." "It would ha' bin nice," said Mrs. Greenhalgh, "if a few children had a come to see her. It puts a proper finish on a job this soart if there's a chit' wi' a bunch o' flowers. Rounds it off like. But hoo seemed to ha' no love for chilid. Yo' never did see her patin' one on th' head, or cuttin' it a butty."

"Hoo stopped up two meets an' a day wi' Bill Wood's child when it wor bad," said Mrs. Randal. "He, towid me 'Yon woman's made o' cast-iron, hoo's moan human — but eawr little Rachal wouldn't bin here for her." Hoo could be that gentle — it looks impossible for them greight gaunt honds to have so gentle a touch."

"They worn't allus gentle," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. "Do yo' remember that Sunday morning when those three Irishmen coom striding up an' down this street wanting to feight th' best man in it? It seems they'd bin havin' a bit of a do th' neet before. Hoo just went out to em-slapped one across th' chops, an' jowled t'other two their yeds. An' they took it like sugar candy."

"What Ah says about her is," said Mrs. Roe, "an' if Ah cannot say summab good about anybody Ah keeps mi. trap shut, an' there's a lot o' foak in these days as like to toot about an' find owt wrong if they can, but Ah'm noan one o' that soart, thank God, an' if Ah'm wi' anybody as is Ah keeps 'em in their place, for once a lie's started yo' never know where it'll get to before it finishes. Them's my principles an' yo' can tak' em or leave 'em. Ah mun get back now an' put th' kettle on."

Mrs. Randal pointed to the bed. "If hoo'd known as Mrs. Roe wor, here, hoo'd ha' turned her back on th' lot of us."

"Tatlin' Matty," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. "Hoo'll be on th' front row at th' burvin', when summab wants doin' Mrs. Roe's not ther."

"Dosta think," asked Mrs. Randal, "as we should, put one o' them flowers in her hand?"

"Now," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. "Hoo wor happiest when hoo had th' ryin'-pon in her hand, or a rag to tee up a cut finger, or a basin o' gruel, or a fistful o' reight hard work. Hoo wor a hard woman, and hoo'd thank us noan for ony mee-mawin'." If we put her away wi'out ony fuss, that'll suit her."

Mrs. Randal lifted the napkin. "They're not folk as anybody can tak' to straight away," she said, "but God knows just what He's doin' when He dots one here an' one ther — just wheer they're wanted. Everybody's trouble knocked on her door."

"She wor towf," said Mrs. Greenhalgh. — Manchester Guardian.

Ten Years Ago

From the "China Mail" of
February 26, 1922.

To-day's dollar is worth
2/4.13/16.

A Chinese was charged before Magistrate Wood on Saturday with having been a member of the Tung Tak Coolies Guild which was recently declared to be an unlawful society by the Government in consequence of its participation in the strike. The defendant was arrested in the street on Friday, having in his possession a badge of the Guild. His story to the Magistrate was that he was a member of the guild as he had been expelled from the guild for not having complied with the guild's instructions to go to Canton. He had no paid work as contrary to the guild's orders for the past six days.

The Magistrate remanded the defendant for Inspector Watt to satisfy the defendant's statement.

TALKIE TALKS.

by Diane

THE VISIT OF RICHARD BARTHELMESS.

A NEW BRITISH FIND.

Richard Cromwell Will Astonish In "To'l'able David."

From a picture point of view, everything pales into insignificance by the fact that we have in our midst to-day one of the greatest luminaries of that industry—RICHARD BARTHELMESS, whose work on the screen has pleased and thrilled millions for fifteen years. I have seen him in all manner of picture-houses in every quarter of the globe. I remember "Broken Blossoms," "Way Down East," "To'l'able David," "The Enchanted Cottage," "Patent-leather Kid," "The Noose"—Yes, I can go back all those years. And I find but one Star who has never let a picture down. There was a time when the stories were poor. Admitted, but that was not the fault of the star. He has always given of his best. He survived that critical period, when others fell by the way, and now we have memories of "Son of the Gods," "Dray," "Young Nowhere," "Weary River," "Young Patrol," and so on, down a long list, which contains few poor pictures, and mostly great ones. I say, emphatically, that Richard Barthelmes is incapable of inferior work. Why has this star succeeded when and where others have failed? Because, with him, the story comes first, and he gives full share of honour to the director and the cast. Again, he has never been afraid to surround himself with first-rate players. Take "Dawn Patrol." He sacrificed himself to the other men, Fairbanks (Jun.) and Neil Hamilton, but yet he remained the outstanding figure. Is it just good luck that has kept him a world favourite all these years? Or is it his personality? I think it is mostly the plain unvarnished truth, that he is a great actor, a good business man, and the lucky possessor of superior intelligence, combined with a fund of knowledge of this industry from its earliest days, through all its stages, to the almost perfect condition in which we now find it.

When he comes to a halt as an actor, I prophesy that he will make as great a director, and I want to see that famous name for years to come. He ranks among the "First Big Six" in pictures, and First National pay him the tidy sum of \$600,000 a year for two pictures, and the privilege of choosing his own stories.

And now to the man himself. I had heard that he hated interviews before lunch time, and that it was asking the impossible to make him talk about himself. I assure you that he is one of the most courteous, thoughtful and considerate of men. I interviewed him, and it all happened before he went off to see the Chinese ponies race at Happy Valley. He is thrilled with this lovely city, and thinks the drive to Repulse Bay hard to equal anywhere in the world. He does not like shopping as a rule, but the native curio shops have fascinated him. He hopes to go to Canton before leaving for Saigon, and continue leisurely homeward via Suez, to start work in April.

Mr. Barthelmes does not favour a climate that is Summer all the year round, so he travels extensively in between pictures. The capitals of Europe are as an open book to him. He delights to motor in the Austrian Tyrol; to climb in Switzerland and Bavaria; to walk in the Black Forest, or the Canadian Woods; and to fish off Florida or Bermuda. But he says there is nothing to beat sailing. And he owns a beautiful yacht. Golf leaves him cold, but he plays a great deal of tennis, and is keen on football but not baseball. He rides a great deal and reads only biographies and histories—(sometimes, too, his enormous "fan" mail). He never attends première if he can avoid it; and is the last person who seeks self-advertisement. I find him most unassuming, and unostentatious.

I told him that we could not exactly be blamed because we are thrilled to meet him. Great stars do not drop in to be interviewed from Hollywood. Not many of us, in fact, know him well, for he would

only talk of the children. He has two at home in California. And how he adores them! Also, I think, as I do, that there is something wrong with the person who does not like animals.

The war in Shanghai has upset plans a bit, but he and his wife, a charming woman, are glad to have the opportunity of staying at the Republic Bay Hotel for a week. He is a grand listener, and I should imagine possess a keen sense of humour. Who will forget that ironic twist to his mouth? He regretted that the rain might spoil his visit, but he likes to see things from all aspects.

He started work as an extra in "War Brides" with Nazimova, and made a name for himself. It was G. W. R. Griggs, Committee, Mrs. Arnold and Mr. E. O. Schroeder.

Mr. Mason appealed for more members, and suggested that those present canvass personally for more players.

The annual subscription was fixed at \$5.

HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Annual Meeting on Saturday.

Shareholders are reminded that to-morrow (Saturday, February 27) at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon the Bank's annual meeting will take place at the Head Office, No. 1, Queen's Road Central.

"The Silver Horde" by Rex Beach, which is another adventure of the shady lady, Cherry Melnotte, with a grand performance turned in by Evelyn Brent, not over-shadowing the work of the late Louis Wolheim. Joel McCrea shows signs of being new to pictures, but he is a likeable hero, and Jean Arthur goes on improving. It is well acted throughout, with magnificent photography. (Queen's).

I remember the first woman who had the temerity to smoke, drink and eat under water—the never-to-be-forgotten Annette Kellerman. Now local audiences are being treated to these same astounding feats by the World champion Legless Wonder, "Zimmy," who shows us how to overcome a terrible handicap. From this attraction we have a rather sordid drama, "Ladies of the Big House," in which Sylvia Sydney covers herself with glory, and Gene Raymond is likely to make the feminine hearts flutter. If you like this type of story it will appeal. It is strong drama. (King's).

On March 2 there will be four Special Shows in Aid of the Chinese Refugees (at the King's Theatre), thanks to the courtesy of the generous management. At 2.30 McLaglen in "Seas Beneath," 5.10 Maurice Chevalier in "Smiling Lieutenant," 7.20 "Women of all Nations," and at 9.30 the British picture "Plunder" (King's).

"Bed and Breakfast" (British) with Marian Davies in one of her best comedies to date. "Bachelor Father" and "Harmony Heaven" are coming next week to the Star.

Charming simplicity and Ruth Chatterton's acting are sufficient to justify "Once A Lady." The story is an old one, but Miss Chatterton has never looked more beautiful. (King's).

Nett Hamilton, Una Merkel and Albert Gran give us comedy of a burlesque order in "The Command Performance." It is choke-full of laughs, and splendidly acted and directed. (Central).

"Carries," "Combines," "Sis" (British film), "World Around with the same stars, and the same "I have an idea" expression. To my

LOCAL MUSICIANS.

Meeting Decides to Recomence Activities

OF ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY.

A meeting which was attended by a number of local musicians was held at the offices of Messrs. Tsang Fook, Ice House Street, last evening, for the purpose of re-commencing the activities of the Hong Kong Orchestral Society.

Mr. F. Mason presided, and a feature of the meeting was the enthusiasm of those who attended.

It was decided that rehearsals

should be held every Tuesday evening, at 8.30 p.m., at the St. John's Cathedral Hall, kindly placed at their disposal by the Dean.

The first rehearsal is to be held on March 1.

It was also decided to enlarge the scope of the Society, which was originally formed as a string orchestra, and invite players of any instrument, string and wind, to join the Society.

A committee was appointed, consisting of the following members:-

Hon. Conductor, Mr. F. Mason; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. H. C. Leong; Hon. Librarian, Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs; Committee, Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs, Mrs. M. H. Arnold and Mr. E. O. Schroeder.

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COUNCIL MEETING.

Estate Duty Bill Now Law.

REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Standing Law Committee in consequence of Chinese representatives, the Estate Duty Bill was presented in a re-drafted and re-printed form at yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council. The Bill, as presented yesterday, incorporated amendments recommended by the Committee, and was approved by the meeting. It substituted the earlier Bill which had been read a first and second time.

Speaking with regard to this Bill, in committee, the Hon. Attorney-General said:-

The Standing Law Committee recommended certain typographical changes and also the re-printing of clause 21 of the Bill to meet the representations which had been made on behalf of many Chinese by the Hon. Dr. Kotewall. The re-draft gives all the protection that the Estate Duty Commissioner requires and makes the clause clearer. The Committee recommended that the Bill, with the amendments recommended by them, should be reprinted according to the Standing Orders, and substituted for the Bill which was read a second time. It has been reprinted with those amendments, and copies are in the hands of all members.

I therefore move that this Bill be substituted for the Bill which was read a second time, in accordance with Standing Orders.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Council went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

It passed through Committee without material amendment, was read a third time and passed.

The Other Bills.

Moving the first reading of a new Bill, intituled "An Ordinance to provide for and regulate Industrial and Reformatory Schools" the Hon. Attorney-General said:-

This Bill repeals the Reformatory Schools Ordinance, 1901, and substitutes new provisions closely modelled on the English law and the Straits Settlements Ordinance.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

The following Bills passed through their final stages:-

"A Bill to amend the Po Leung Kuk Incorporation Ordinance, 1893."

"A Bill to amend the Chinese Temples Ordinance, 1928."

With regard to "A Bill to amend the Foreshores and Sea Bed Ordinance," the Attorney-General moved that the second reading should not be taken yesterday.

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The discoverer was a steam shovel which is making the excavation for the new Portland Art Museum on land which 50 years ago was the site of the old Portland High School. The treasure chests are metal boxes and tubes buried by high school graduating classes 50 years ago beneath the trees they planted. Valuables and prizes of youthful days were placed therein. One box, decomposed by the pressure of roots, fell apart when taken from the debris. It contained old odds and ends, including a silver dollar of 1840, two five dollar bills, a seven dollar bill of 1850, and a gold coin of 1850.

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RIVIERA GAMBLERS GO ON STRIKE.

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RAJPUTANA	17,000	16th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
MANTUA	11,000	30th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SUDAN	6,800	6th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles, London, Havre, H'burg, R'terdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	13th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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Considerable secrecy is being observed in regard to this contract, but there is every reason to believe that it will be secured by British industry in the teeth of Continental rivals, in spite of the enticing financial terms offered by the latter.

Until recently Britain has fared rather badly in the post-War competition for overseas naval contracts. British firms have built six destroyers, three submarines, and a

big submarine depot ship for Chile, while the Chilean battleship Almirante Latorre underwent an extensive refit at Devonport dockyard in 1929-31.

The Argentine Government has also been a customer to the extent of three flotilla leaders and two surveying ships, but its largest order, namely two 7,000-ton cruisers, went to Italy. Moreover, Italy and France between them have secured most of the recent and naval contracts from minor Powers.

Before the War British shipyards had virtually a monopoly of such work, and to-day, thanks to their unrivalled experience and equipment, they are in a position to give better value than any foreign builders.

NOW SHIPBREAKERS.

Tyne Firm's New Role During Slack Period.

Shipbreaking instead of shipbuilding is about to be undertaken by Messrs. Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson. The Tyne firm have arranged with the Hughes Blockow Shipbreaking Co., Blyth, to break up the cargo steamer Minas at last rescued by a lifeboat from the Piraeus, on January 2.

At the height of the gale on December 31, their vessel sustained a damaged rudder, and was forced to the rocky coast of the island of Fleves, some miles from the Piraeus, and shortly afterwards broke up. The crew sent off an S.O.S., and were then obliged to take refuge on the rocks.

A lifeboat was sent out from the mainland, and with the help of flood lights it was possible to distinguish

CREW'S ORDEAL.

Clinging To Rocks For Two Nights.

After having been shipwrecked and marooned for two nights and a day on a rocky island off the coast of Greece, the crew of the Greek cargo steamer Minas were at last rescued by a lifeboat from the Piraeus, on January 2.

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the crew clinging to the rocks, but they could not be reached on account of the rough sea, and it was only to-day that the lifeboat could get near enough to effect a rescue.

Although very exhausted, only one of the men was injured.

HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used in Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120° deg. E., 00h, is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

February 26 to March 8, 1932.

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Feb. 26	H. M. F.	L. M. F.	Times
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	18 02 5.8	19 38 1.9	
28	01 03 4.4	07 10 2.7	
	18 40 5.9	21 10 1.9	
29	03 27 5.8	07 21 3.1	
	14 25 5.9	22 55 1.7	
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	17 05 6.2		
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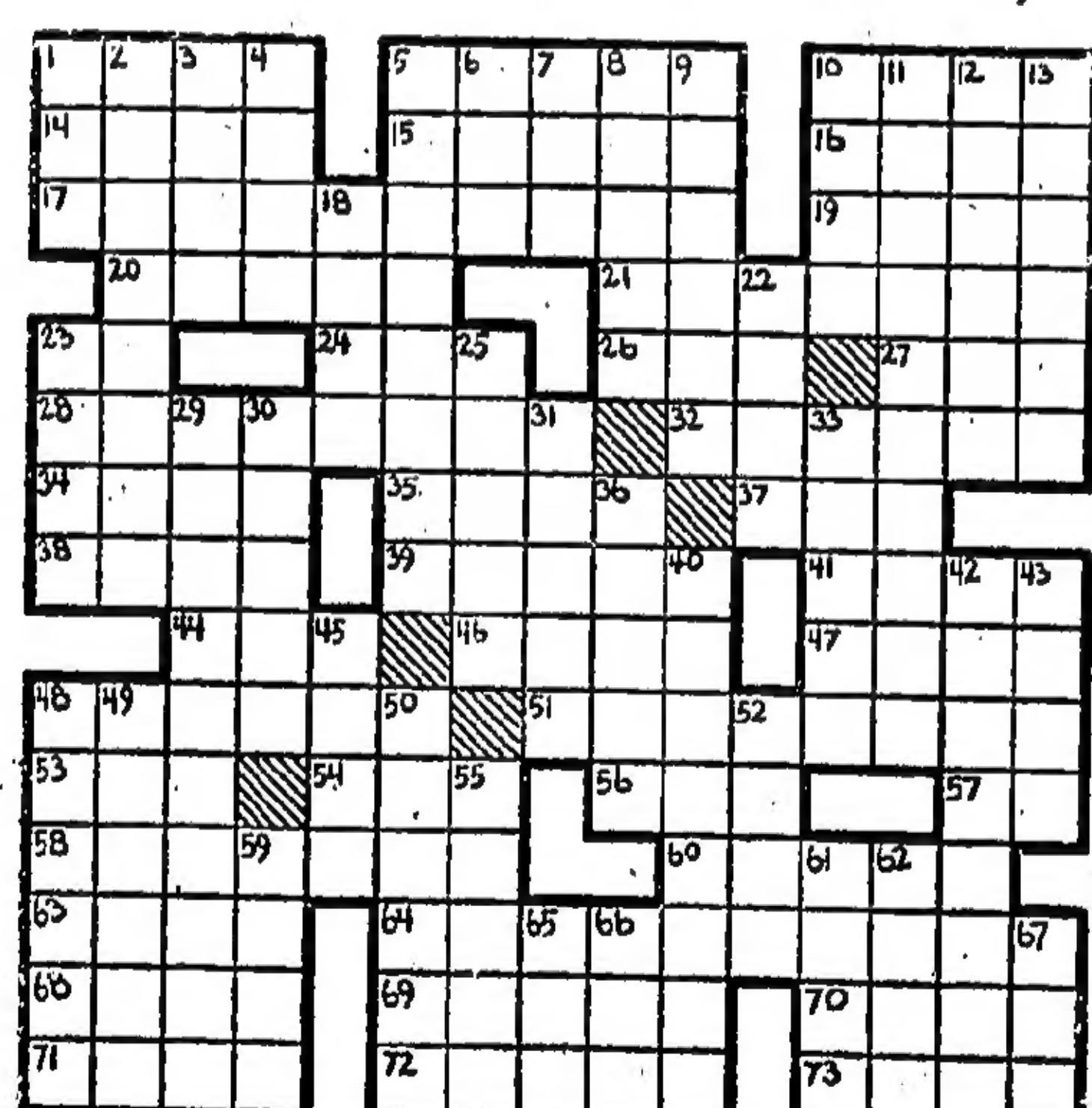
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-Simians
2-Temporary abodes
10-Gem
14-Tidy
15-Old womanish
16-Mother of Castor
17-Ann Pallas
18-A taking for granted
19-Stout silk
20-Belief
21-Holds back
22-Point of compass
24-Drop
25-Scientific (abbr.)
27-Hasten
28-Intersection
29-Approach
30-Combining form. Air
32-Spikenard
33-Old measure of
length
34-Journey
35-Agitates
41-Assistant
44-Blus-jacket
46-Expectants
47-Small European
deer (pl.)
48-Church steeples
51-Brakes

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
53-Even (Post.)
54-Support
55-June-bug
57-Early English
58-Celery grower
59-Subsequently
62-Tuft (Sect.)
63-Deeply
64-Aspects that
paralyze
68-Long periods
69-Roman magistrate
70-Extinct
71-Smaller
72-Shut out
73-Isle of Wight town

VERTICAL
1-Literary collection
2-One who annoys
3-Comfort
4-Older, senseless
5-Military officer
6-(pl.)
7-1002 (Roman)
8-Travels historically
9-Roman philosopher
10-Feminine name
11-Point in orbit
nearest the sun

VERTICAL (Cont.)
12-Youth beloved by
Venus
13-Girls
15-State of disorder
22-Entice (Prov. Eng.)
23-Deceives
25-An insect (pl.)
29-Born into
existence
30-Deep sleep
31-Takes fast hold
33-Girl's name
36-Removed the water
from
40-Rambler
42-Hinder
43-Actual being
45-Girdle
48-Pertaining to a wall
49-Coat of a mammal
50-Percolated
52-Implies
53-Step or degree
55-For the tribe or
Russian rulers
58-Weird
59-Bona
60-Southern State of
U. S. (abbr.)
67-Scottish "Be"

The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.

ROUND HONG KONG'S
CINEMA THEATRES

MAIL REVIEWERS.

THE ROSARY.

Produced at the Twickenham studios, the British talkie success "The Rosary," featuring Margot Grahame and Elizabeth Allan, is now playing at the Queen's Theatre. The acting is of a very high standard, and the dramatic appeal is never lost.

As the two half-sisters, Miss Grahame and Miss Allan, a blonde and a blonde, act admirably, although the latter's dramatic facial expressions are a trifle overdone. Irene Ruote, as the Mother Superior, Leslie Perrins, as Ronald Overton, and Walter Piers, as Major Manner, are convincing, and the support given by the remainder of the cast, leaves nothing to be desired.

The Court trial scene is well done. In "The Rosary," the director has handled the situation with care, the scene forming a most pleasing feature of the picture.

Supporting the attraction, there is shown an interesting Cine Magazine, and a most amusing comedy, depicting dentistry.

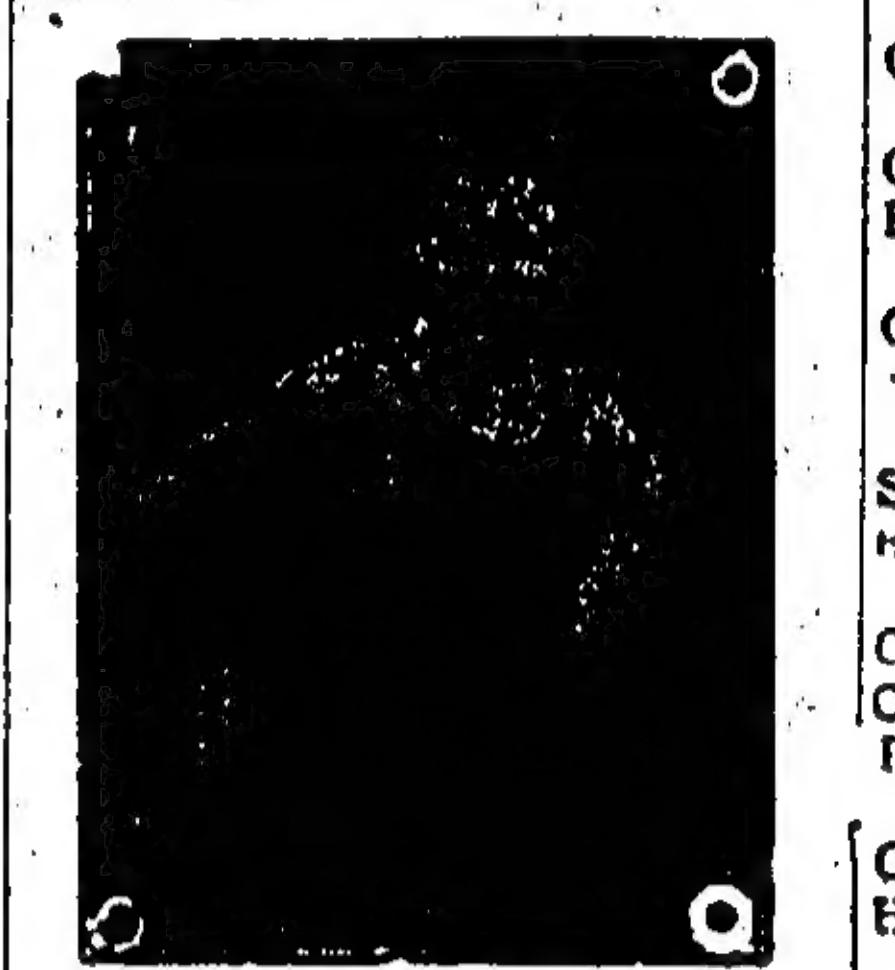
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"Zimmy," the Legless Wonder, now appearing at the King's Theatre.

"Ladies of the Big House," now showing at the King's Theatre, is big with the vital urge of Humanity at bay, and battling with the forces that surge around it—forces of misplaced justice, traitorous friends, social tradition, all the mad clangour that makes life the exciting drama that it is.

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"CANARIES SOMETIMES SING."

The fascination of Frederick Lonsdale's comedies for the public lies not only in the brilliant dialogue, but also in the clever way his stories give point to very sound ideas. Situations full of humour abound in his comedies, while, at the same time, one senses the moral in the story. Frederick Lonsdale is one of the very few who can write this way, for it is an entirely different matter writing mere farce and writing humour that contains a bite at certain types of people. His satire is given full play in "Canaries Sometimes Sing," the exceedingly clever comedy, to be shown at the King's Theatre next Sunday. His moral here is, that one bird in a cage is happier and will sing more merrily than if it has a mate not suited to its personality!

"TOL'ABLE DAVID."

The United States boasts of a unique and unusual genre of people in its Virginia and Tennessee mountaineers. These people are entirely different from any other sect or group in the States. A particularly clear-cut character

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sight 1/6 1/2

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months' sight 1/6 1/2

On Paris—

On demand 840

redits, 4 months'

sight 695

On Berlin—

On demand Nom.

On New York—

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Credits, 60 days' sight 26 1/2

On Bombay—

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On demand 96 1/2

On Calcutta—

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On Singapore—

On demand 62 1/2

On Manila—

On demand 50 1/2

On Shanghai—

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Rugby, Yesterday.

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New York 3.45 1/2

Montreal 3.95

Brussels 24.97 1/2

Geneva 17 1/2

Amsterdam 8.63

Milan 68 15/16

Berlin 14 1/2

Stockholm 18.10

Copenhagen 18 1/2

Oslo 18 7/16

Vienna 32 Nom.

Prague 11 1/2

Helsingfors 220

Madrid 45 1/16

Lisbon 109 1/2

Athens 270

Bucharest 580

Rio 4 8/16

Buenos Aires 39 1/2

Montevideo 30 1/2 nom.

Bombay 1/6 5/32

Shanghai 1/11 1/2

Hong Kong 1/5 1/2

Yokohama 1/10 1/2

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—British Wireless Service

study of these hardly illiterates, with their peculiar moral codes, their simple living standards and amazing bravery, is found in Columbia Pictures production of "Tol'able David," which opens at the Central Theatre to-morrow.

Director John Blystone depicts in stark and vivid fashion what happens in the mountain country when a member of any family is wronged. Very successfully is revealed the workings of the envious feud and the manner in which the family's men measure out justice without the aid of law courts. They are a law unto themselves.

A newcomer, a young artiste, named Richard Cromwell, depicts the role of "Tol'able David." He possesses that naivete that makes him ideal in the role of the simple, nature-loving lad depicted in the story. Others in the cast are Joan Peers, Noah Beery, Henry B. Walhall and George Duryea. John G. Blystone handled the direction of this production with artistry.

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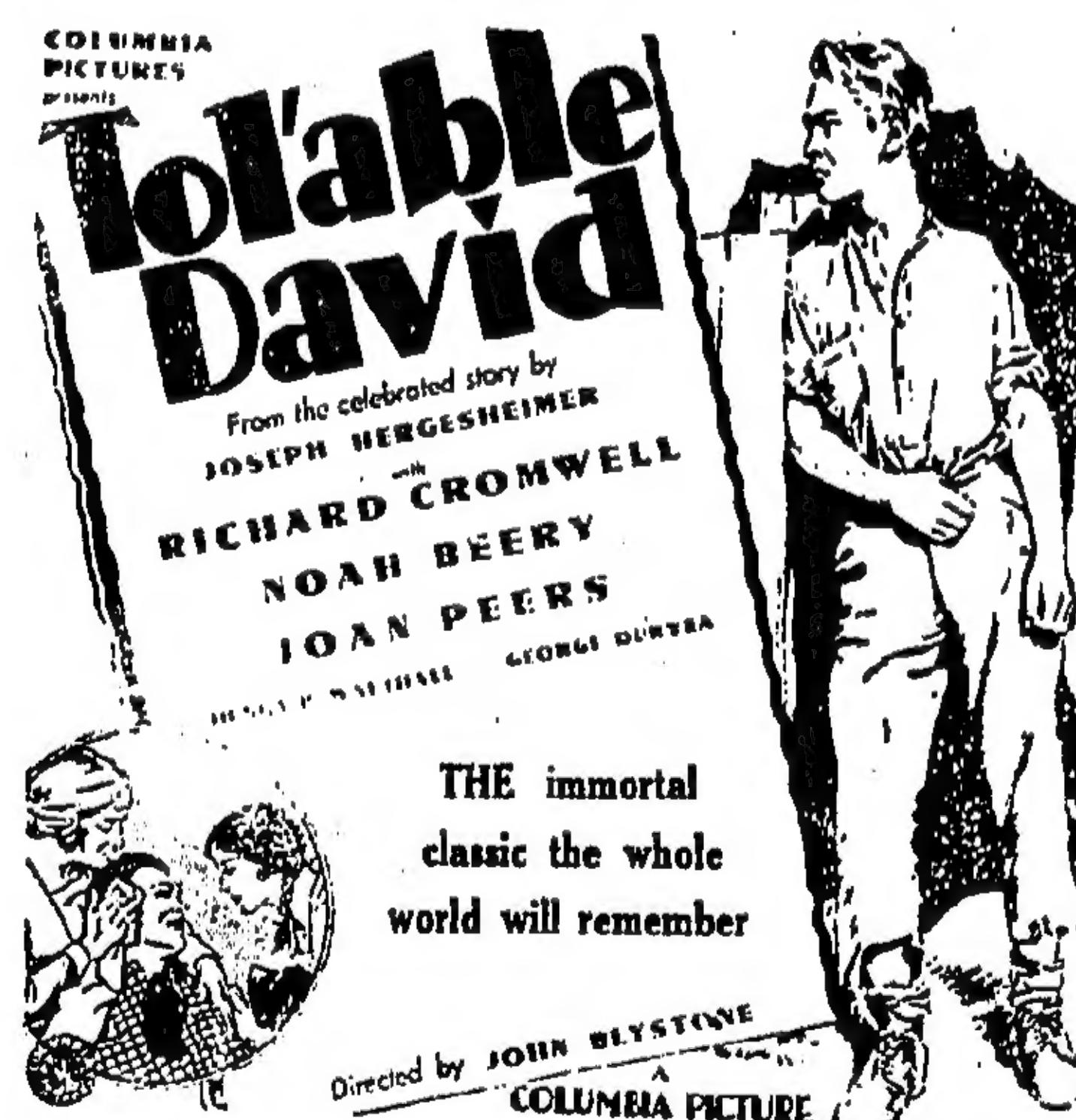
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**PRISONER QUOTES
SHAKESPEARE.**

"The Quality of
Mercy."

A prisoner who quoted Shakespeare's lines from "The Merchant of Venice" when asked whether he had anything to say after being found guilty was sentenced to four years' penal servitude for burglary and assault at Sheffield Quarter Sessions. "I realise that it would be useless to ask for leniency," he said, "but there is a verse by a poet—I think it was Cowper—which runs like this." He then quoted "The quality of mercy is not stran-

The man was John Edward Snape (27), bricklayer, of Sheffield, and he was charged with breaking into two Sheffield houses and stealing goods to the value of £83. It was stated that at one house he consumed a quantity of food and stole beer and wine. He left notes for the cook, one of which read: "Your tarts are indeed most delightful." The handwriting formed part of the evidence against Snape. At another house, where he stole a quantity of jewellery and silver, he left finger-prints, which were identified by Scotland Yard. It was stated that while being transferred from Sheffield to Manchester, at his own request before his trial, he assaulted a police sergeant by hitting him on the head with a handcuff.

Snape asked for eleven other charges of housebreaking to be taken into consideration. "You seem to be a hopeless case," said the Recorder (Mr. Walter Hedley). "You have spent practically the last ten years of your life in prison, with short intervals."

U.S. AMBASSADOR FOR LONDON.

Rugby, Yesterday. The newly appointed United States Ambassador in London, Mr. Andrew Mellon, will reach England some time in the middle of March.—British Wireless Service.

BRAVERY REWARDED.

Rugby, Yesterday. A party of 19 miners, who worked for nine hours when in great danger to rescue a fellow miner, were decorated with the Edward Medal by His Majesty the King at to-day's private investiture at Buckingham Palace.—British Wireless Service.

MOTOR DEPUTATION.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Dominions Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, to-day received a deputation of British Motor manufacturers, who submitted views regarding a means whereby their industry might be helped by the Ottawa Imperial Conference.—British Wireless Service.

MR. GREENIDGE PROMOTED.

Rugby, Yesterday. His Majesty the King has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Mr. Charles Greenidge, Magistrate of Trinidad, to Chief Justice of British Honduras.—British Wireless Service.

PEACE ARMY.

**IMPORT DUTIES
BILL.**

More Free List
Items.

**SOYA BEANS—SOFT HEMP
FIBRE AND TOW.**

London, Yesterday. The third reading of the Import Duties Bill was passed to-day by 442 votes to 62.

In the House of Lords the Bill will be read formally for the first time to-morrow, and the Lords will pass it on Monday.

The duties will then begin to operate from March 1.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain has accepted an amendment to the Import Duties Bill by which soft fibre—hemp and hemp-tow—are placed on the Free List.

Another amendment to the Import Duties Bill placing soya beans on the free list has been accepted by Mr. Neville Chamberlain.—Reuter.

**CIVIL SERVICE
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If ever there was any justification for the tradition that Government departments are havens of rest, that easy-going state has long since vanished. In its organisation the Service claims to rank with that of any modern business enterprise.

NOVEL OFFER TO THE LEAGUE.

Rugby, Yesterday. A letter offering the services of a "Peace Army" of British men and women, who are eager to place themselves unarmed between the Chinese and Japanese armies with the hope of stopping the fighting, has been sent to the League of Nations. It is signed by Miss Maude Royden (woman preacher), Dean H. R. L. Sheppard (the most popular London padre) and Rev. Herbert Gray (Presbyterian Minister).

Rugby, Yesterday. This proposed step is revealed in a letter in this morning's press.

Signatories state that they have come to the conclusion of like-

thinkers.—Reuter.

**WHEN DOG LICENCES
BECOME VOID.**

A Little-Known Point
of Law.

A curious point relating to the validity of dog licences was mentioned at the Radcliffe Police Court, when Alice Whewell, of Hamilton Road, Whitefield, was summoned for not having a licence for her dog.

It was pointed out by Mr. Clayton that the licence for the dog was taken out by defendant's father, and when he died recently the licence at once became void. He asked if the magistrates were aware that if any one or two had a dog, and he died his wife could be prosecuted a day or two later for not having a licence if a new one had not been taken out.

The Clerk said it was open to any one to overcome that possibility by taking out the licence in the joint names of the husband and wife.

Mr. Clayton: That is a good tip for the public.

Superintendent Thompson asked for the summons to be withdrawn, and the Bench agreed.

BARBARIC RITES.

Reports that Eskimos are reverting to the faith of their fathers and are staging barbaric tribal ceremonies are being investigated by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

No human lives have been threatened, but the elders of the tribes have destroyed food supplies brought to them by white men.

While Eskimos have hitherto been very friendly to the whites, relations have become strained since trappers have been pushing farther into Eskimo territory.

Men who correspond to "witch doctors" among the negro tribes are now advocating the abandonment of all white men's customs and a return to the faith of their fathers.—British United Press.

A SOLOMON FROM MUNICH.

The mantle of Solomon has fallen on Professor Oskar von Miller, head of the Munich Museum, who has suggested a settlement in the dispute about the gondola of Professor Picard's balloon (in which an ascent of ten miles to the stratosphere was made).

Professor Miller has made an offer for the gondola, to add to the museum's collection of pioneer aircraft. The Belgian organisation, which financed the Professor's flight, is asking for the gondola to be placed in a Brussels museum.

Professor Miller's way out is to cut the gondola (which is spherical) in halves and let both museums have the display.—British United Press.

PRINCE AT BIRMINGHAM.

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